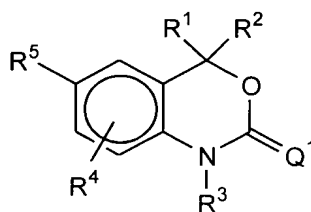


What is Claimed:

1. A method of inducing contraception comprising the step of delivering to a female of child-bearing age a composition comprising a compound of formula I or formula II, or a tautomer thereof, in a regimen which involves delivering a pharmaceutically effective amount of one or more of a selective estrogen receptor modulator to said female,

wherein formula I is:



I

wherein:

R¹ and R² are independent substituents selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₆ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₆ alkyl, C₂ to C₆ alkenyl, substituted C₂ to C₆ alkenyl, C₂ to C₆ alkynyl, substituted C₂ to C₆ alkynyl, C₃ to C₈ cycloalkyl, substituted C₃ to C₈ cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, COR^A, and NR^BCOR^A;

or R¹ and R² are fused to form a ring selected from the group consisting of a), b) and c), wherein said ring is optionally substituted by from 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of H and C₁ to C₃ alkyl;

- a) a carbon-based 3 to 8 membered saturated spirocyclic ring;
- b) a carbon-based 3 to 8 membered spirocyclic ring having one or more carbon-carbon double bonds; and
- c) a 3 to 8 membered spirocyclic ring having in its backbone one to three heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of O, S and N;

R^A is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, amino, C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl;

R^B is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

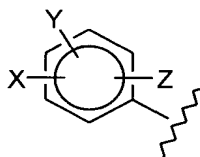
R^3 is selected from the group consisting of H, OH, NH_2 , C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, C_3 to C_6 alkenyl, substituted C_3 to C_6 alkenyl, alkynyl, substituted alkynyl, and COR^C ;

R^C is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_4 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_4 alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C_1 to C_4 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_4 alkoxy, C_1 to C_4 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_4 aminoalkyl;

R^4 is selected from the group consisting of H, halogen, CN, NO_2 , C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, C_1 to C_6 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkoxy, C_1 to C_6 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_6 aminoalkyl;

R^5 is selected from the group consisting of (i) and (ii):

(i) a substituted benzene ring having the structure:



X is selected from the group consisting of halogen, CN, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl, C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, NO_2 , C_1 to C_3 perfluoroalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 perfluoroalkyl, 5 or 6 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted 5 or 6 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, COR^D , $OCOR^D$, and $NR^E COR^D$;

R^D is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl;

R^E is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

Y and Z are independent substituents selected from the group consisting of H, halogen, CN, NO_2 , C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_4 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_4 alkyl, C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl; and

b) a five or six membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1, 2, or 3 heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of O, S, SO, SO_2 , and NR^6 and having one or two independent substituents selected from the group consisting of H, halogen, CN, NO_2 , C_1 to C_4 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_4 alkyl, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, C_1 to C_3 perfluoroalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 perfluoroalkyl, 5 or 6 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted 5 or 6 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl, COR^F , and $NR^G COR^F$;

R^F is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl;

R^G is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

R^6 is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, and C_1 to C_4 CO_2 alkyl;

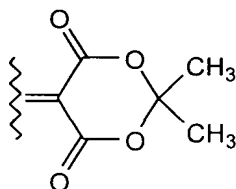
Q^1 is selected from the group consisting of S, NR^7 , and $CR^8 R^9$;

R^7 is selected from the group consisting of CN, C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, substituted C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, $SO_2 CF_3$, OR^{11} , and $NR^{11} R^{12}$;

R^8 and R^9 are independent substituents selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, substituted C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, NO_2 , CN, and CO_2R^{10} ;

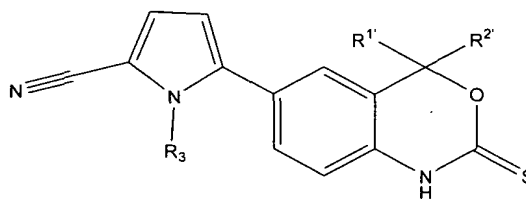
R^{10} is selected from the group consisting of C_1 to C_3 alkyl and substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

or CR^8R^9 comprise a six membered ring having the structure:



R^{11} and R^{12} are independently selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, acyl, substituted acyl, sulfonyl, and substituted sulfonyl;

and formula II is:



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5 wherein:

$R^{1'}$ is selected from the group methyl, ethyl, trifluoromethyl;

$R^{2'}$ is selected from the group methyl, ethyl, trifluoromethyl;

or

$R^{1'}$ and $R^{2'}$ are joined to form a spirocyclic ring containing 3 to 7 carbon atoms; and $R^{3'}$ is selected from the group C_1 to C_4 alkyl;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, tautomer, metabolite, or prodrug of formula I or formula II.

2. The method according to claim 1, wherein said compound of formula I or formula II and said selective estrogen receptor modulator are delivered in a single composition.

3. The method according to claim 1, wherein said compound of formula I or formula II and said selective estrogen receptor modulator are delivered separately.

4. The method according to claim 1, wherein said selective estrogen receptor modulator is selected from the group consisting of EM-800, EM-652, raloxifene hydrochloride, arzoxifene, lasofoxifene, droloxifene, idoxifene, levormeloxifene, centchroman, nafoxidene, tamoxifen citrate, 4-hydroxytamoxifen citrate, clomiphene citrate, toremifene citrate, pipendoxifene, and bazedoxifene.

5. The method according to claim 1, wherein said compound is delivered at a daily dosage of about 0.1 to about 50 mg.

6. The method according to claim 1, wherein said regimen comprises delivering said composition daily for 1 to about 21 days, wherein said regimen is a cycle which is repeated monthly.

7. The method according to claim 1, wherein said selective estrogen receptor modulator is delivered at a daily dosage of about 0.2 to about 100 mg.

8. The method according to Claim 1, wherein in formula I:

R^1 is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, substituted C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted

carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, COR^A , and NR^BCOR^A ;

R^2 is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, C_2 to C_6 alkenyl, substituted C_2 to C_6 alkenyl, C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, substituted C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, COR^A , and NR^BCOR^A ;

R^A is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl;

R^5 is selected from the group consisting of (iii) and (iv):

(iii) the substituted benzene ring, wherein:

X is selected from the group consisting of halogen, CN, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl, C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, NO_2 , C_1 to C_3 perfluoroalkyl, 5 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, COR^D , OCOR^D , and NR^ECOR^D ; and

(iv) the five or six membered ring, wherein said one or two independent substituents are selected from the group consisting of H, halogen, CN, NO_2 , C_1 to C_3 alkyl, and C_1 to C_3 alkoxy;

R^7 is selected from the group consisting of CN, C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, substituted C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, and SO_2CF_3 .

9. The method according to claim 8, wherein in formula I:

R^1 and R^2 are independently selected from the group consisting of C_1 to C_3 alkyl and substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

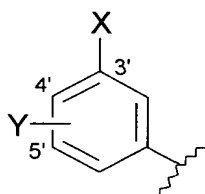
or R^1 and R^2 are fused to form the carbon-based 3 to 6 membered saturated spirocyclic ring;

R^3 is selected from the group consisting of H, OH, NH_2 , C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, and COR^C ;

R^C is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_4 alkyl, and C_1 to C_4 alkoxy;

R^4 is selected from the group consisting of H, halogen, NO_2 , C_1 to C_3 alkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

R^5 is the substituted benzene ring having the structure:



X is selected from the group consisting of halogen, CN, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, NO_2 , C_1 to C_3 perfluoroalkyl, 5 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, and C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl.

10. The method according to Claim 8, wherein in formula I:

R^1 and R^2 are independently selected from the group consisting of C_1 to C_3 alkyl and substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

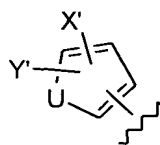
or R^1 and R^2 are fused to form the carbon-based 3 to 6 membered saturated spirocyclic ring;

R^3 is selected from the group consisting of H, OH, NH_2 , C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, and COR^C ;

R^C is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_4 alkyl, and C_1 to C_4 alkoxy;

R^4 is selected from the group consisting of H, halogen, NO_2 , C_1 to C_3 alkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

R^5 is the five membered ring having the structure:



U is selected from the group consisting of O, S, and NR^5 ;

X' is selected from the group consisting of halogen, CN, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, NO_2 , C_1 to C_3 perfluoroalkyl, 5 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, and C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl;

Y' is selected from the group consisting of H, halogen, CN, NO_2 , C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_4 alkyl, and C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl.

11. The method according to claim 8, wherein in formula I:

R^1 and R^2 are independently selected from the group consisting of C_1 to C_3 alkyl and substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

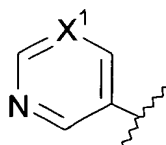
or R^1 and R^2 are fused to form the carbon-based 3 to 6 membered saturated spirocyclic ring;

R^3 is selected from the group consisting of H, OH, NH_2 , C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, and COR^C ;

R^C is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_4 alkyl, and C_1 to C_4 alkoxy;

R^4 is selected from the group consisting of H, halogen, NO_2 , C_1 to C_3 alkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

R^5 is the six membered ring having the structure:

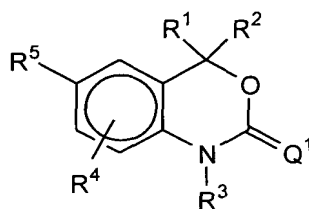


X^1 is selected from the group consisting of N and CX^2 ;

X^2 is selected from the group consisting of halogen, CN, and NO_2 .

12. The method according to claim 1, wherein in formula I R^3 is H and Q^1 is S.

13. The method according to claim 1, wherein in formula I:
R¹ and R² are independent substituents selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₆ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₆ alkyl, C₂ to C₆ alkenyl, substituted C₂ to C₆ alkenyl, C₂ to C₆ alkynyl, substituted C₂ to C₆ alkynyl, C₃ to C₈ cycloalkyl, substituted C₃ to C₈ cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, and substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms.
14. The method according to claim 1, wherein in formula I: R¹ and R² are fused to form a carbon-based 3 to 6 membered saturated spirocyclic ring.
15. The method according to claim 1, wherein in formula I: R¹ and R² are fused to form a carbon-based 3 to 6 membered spirocyclic ring having one or more carbon-carbon double bonds.
16. The method according to claim 1, wherein in formula I: R¹ and R² are fused to form a 3 to 6 membered spirocyclic ring having in its backbone one to three heteroatoms.
17. A method of providing hormone replacement therapy comprising the step of delivering to a female a composition comprising a compound of formula I or formula II, or a tautomer thereof, in a regimen which involves delivering a pharmaceutically effective amount of one or more of a selective estrogen receptor modulator to said female,
wherein formula I is:



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wherein:

R¹ and R² are independent substituents selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₆ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₆ alkyl, C₂ to C₆ alkenyl, substituted C₂ to C₆ alkenyl, C₂ to C₆ alkynyl, substituted C₂ to C₆ alkynyl, C₃ to C₈ cycloalkyl, substituted C₃ to C₈ cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, COR^A, and NR^BCOR^A;

or R¹ and R² are fused to form a ring selected from the group consisting of a), b) and c), wherein said ring is optionally substituted by from 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of H and C₁ to C₃ alkyl;

a) a carbon-based 3 to 8 membered saturated spirocyclic ring;

b) a carbon-based 3 to 8 membered spirocyclic ring having one or more carbon-carbon double bonds; and

c) a 3 to 8 membered spirocyclic ring having in its backbone one to three heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of O, S and N;

R^A is selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₃ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₃ alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C₁ to C₃ alkoxy, substituted C₁ to C₃ alkoxy, amino, C₁ to C₃ aminoalkyl, and substituted C₁ to C₃ aminoalkyl;

R^B is selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₃ alkyl, and substituted C₁ to C₃ alkyl;

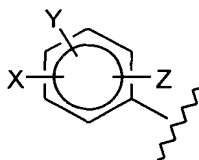
R³ is selected from the group consisting of H, OH, NH₂, C₁ to C₆ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₆ alkyl, C₃ to C₆ alkenyl, substituted C₃ to C₆ alkenyl, alkynyl, substituted alkynyl, and COR^C;

R^C is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_4 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_4 alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C_1 to C_4 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_4 alkoxy, C_1 to C_4 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_4 aminoalkyl;

R^4 is selected from the group consisting of H, halogen, CN, NO_2 , C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, C_1 to C_6 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkoxy, C_1 to C_6 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_6 aminoalkyl;

R^5 is selected from the group consisting of (i) and (ii):

(i) a substituted benzene ring having the structure:



X is selected from the group consisting of halogen, CN, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl, C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, NO_2 , C_1 to C_3 perfluoroalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 perfluoroalkyl, 5 or 6 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted 5 or 6 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, COR^D , $OCOR^D$, and $NR^E COR^D$;

R^D is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl;

R^E is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

Y and Z are independent substituents selected from the group consisting of H, halogen, CN, NO_2 , C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_4 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_4 alkyl, C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl; and

b) a five or six membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1, 2, or 3 heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of O, S, SO, SO_2 , and NR^6 and having one or two independent substituents selected from the group

consisting of H, halogen, CN, NO₂, C₁ to C₄ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₄ alkyl, C₁ to C₃ alkoxy, substituted C₁ to C₃ alkoxy, C₁ to C₃ aminoalkyl, substituted C₁ to C₃ aminoalkyl, C₁ to C₃ perfluoroalkyl, substituted C₁ to C₃ perfluoroalkyl, 5 or 6 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted 5 or 6 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, C₁ to C₃ thioalkyl, substituted C₁ to C₃ thioalkyl, COR^F, and NR^GCOR^F;

R^F is selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₃ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₃ alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C₁ to C₃ alkoxy, substituted C₁ to C₃ alkoxy, C₁ to C₃ aminoalkyl, and substituted C₁ to C₃ aminoalkyl;

R^G is selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₃ alkyl, and substituted C₁ to C₃ alkyl;

R⁶ is selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₃ alkyl, and C₁ to C₄ CO₂alkyl;

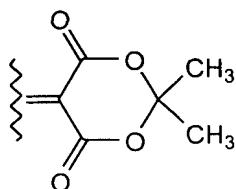
Q¹ is selected from the group consisting of S, NR⁷, and CR⁸R⁹;

R⁷ is selected from the group consisting of CN, C₁ to C₆ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₆ alkyl, C₃ to C₈ cycloalkyl, substituted C₃ to C₈ cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, SO₂CF₃, OR¹¹, and NR¹¹R¹²;

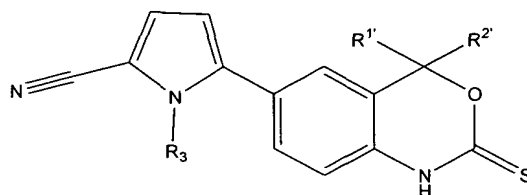
R⁸ and R⁹ are independent substituents selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₆ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₆ alkyl, C₃ to C₈ cycloalkyl, substituted C₃ to C₈ cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, NO₂, CN, and CO₂R¹⁰;

R¹⁰ is selected from the group consisting of C₁ to C₃ alkyl and substituted C₁ to C₃ alkyl;

or CR⁸R⁹ comprise a six membered ring having the structure:



R^{11} and R^{12} are independently selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₆ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₆ alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, acyl, substituted acyl, sulfonyl, and substituted sulfonyl; and formula II is:



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wherein:

$R^{1'}$ is selected from the group methyl, ethyl, trifluoromethyl;

$R^{2'}$ is selected from the group methyl, ethyl, trifluoromethyl;

or

$R^{1'}$ and $R^{2'}$ are joined to form a spirocyclic ring containing 3 to 7 carbon atoms; and R^3 is selected from the group C₁ to C₄ alkyl,

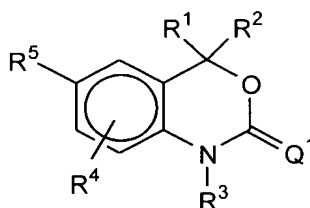
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, tautomer, metabolite, or prodrug thereof.

18. The method according to claim 17, wherein said hormone replacement therapy is perimenopausal, menopausal, or postmenopausal.

19. The method according to claim 17, wherein in formula I, R^3 is H and Q^1 is S; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, tautomer, metabolite, or prodrug thereof.

20. A method of treating carcinomas comprising the step of delivering to a mammal in need thereof a composition comprising a compound of formula I or formula II, or a tautomer thereof, in a regimen which involves delivering a pharmaceutically effective amount of one or more of a selective estrogen receptor modulator to said mammal,

wherein formula I is:



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wherein:

R^1 and R^2 are independent substituents selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, C_2 to C_6 alkenyl, substituted C_2 to C_6 alkenyl, C_2 to C_6 alkynyl, substituted C_2 to C_6 alkynyl, C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, substituted C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, COR^A , and $NR^B COR^A$;

or R^1 and R^2 are fused to form a ring selected from the group consisting of a), b) and c), wherein said ring is optionally substituted by from 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of H and C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

- a) a carbon-based 3 to 8 membered saturated spirocyclic ring;
- b) a carbon-based 3 to 8 membered spirocyclic ring having one or more carbon-carbon double bonds; and
- c) a 3 to 8 membered spirocyclic ring having in its backbone one to three heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of O, S and N;

R^A is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, amino, C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl;

R^B is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

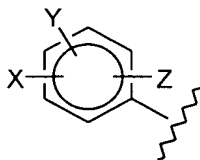
R^3 is selected from the group consisting of H, OH, NH_2 , C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, C_3 to C_6 alkenyl, substituted C_3 to C_6 alkenyl, alkynyl, substituted alkynyl, and COR^C ;

R^C is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_4 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_4 alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C_1 to C_4 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_4 alkoxy, C_1 to C_4 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_4 aminoalkyl;

R^4 is selected from the group consisting of H, halogen, CN, NO_2 , C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, C_1 to C_6 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkoxy, C_1 to C_6 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_6 aminoalkyl;

R^5 is selected from the group consisting of (i) and (ii):

(i) a substituted benzene ring having the structure:



X is selected from the group consisting of halogen, CN, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl, C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, NO_2 , C_1 to C_3 perfluoroalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 perfluoroalkyl, 5 or 6 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted 5 or 6 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, COR^D , $OCOR^D$, and $NR^E COR^D$;

R^D is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl;

R^E is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

Y and Z are independent substituents selected from the group

consisting of H, halogen, CN, NO₂, C₁ to C₃ alkoxy, substituted C₁ to C₃ alkoxy, C₁ to C₄ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₄ alkyl, C₁ to C₃ thioalkyl, and substituted C₁ to C₃ thioalkyl; and

b) a five or six membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1, 2, or 3 heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of O, S, SO, SO₂, and NR⁶ and having one or two independent substituents selected from the group consisting of H, halogen, CN, NO₂, C₁ to C₄ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₄ alkyl, C₁ to C₃ alkoxy, substituted C₁ to C₃ alkoxy, C₁ to C₃ aminoalkyl, substituted C₁ to C₃ aminoalkyl, C₁ to C₃ perfluoroalkyl, substituted C₁ to C₃ perfluoroalkyl, 5 or 6 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted 5 or 6 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, C₁ to C₃ thioalkyl, substituted C₁ to C₃ thioalkyl, COR^F, and NR^GCOR^F;

R^F is selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₃ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₃ alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C₁ to C₃ alkoxy, substituted C₁ to C₃ alkoxy, C₁ to C₃ aminoalkyl, and substituted C₁ to C₃ aminoalkyl;

R^G is selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₃ alkyl, and substituted C₁ to C₃ alkyl;

R⁶ is selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₃ alkyl, and C₁ to C₄ CO₂alkyl;

Q¹ is selected from the group consisting of S, NR⁷, and CR⁸R⁹;

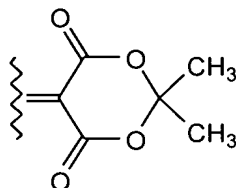
R⁷ is selected from the group consisting of CN, C₁ to C₆ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₆ alkyl, C₃ to C₈ cycloalkyl, substituted C₃ to C₈ cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, SO₂CF₃, OR¹¹, and NR¹¹R¹²;

R⁸ and R⁹ are independent substituents selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₆ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₆ alkyl, C₃ to C₈ cycloalkyl, substituted C₃ to C₈ cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its

backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, NO₂, CN, and CO₂R¹⁰;

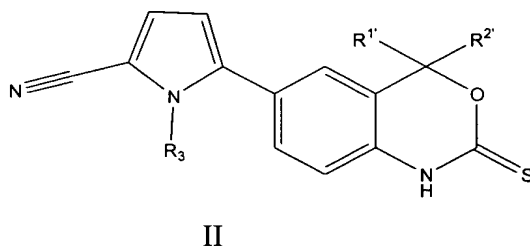
R¹⁰ is selected from the group consisting of C₁ to C₃ alkyl and substituted C₁ to C₃ alkyl;

or CR⁸R⁹ comprise a six membered ring having the structure:



R¹¹ and R¹² are independently selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₆ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₆ alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, acyl, substituted acyl, sulfonyl, and substituted sulfonyl;

and formula II is:



wherein:

R^{1'} is selected from the group methyl, ethyl, trifluoromethyl;

R^{2'} is selected from the group methyl, ethyl, trifluoromethyl;

or

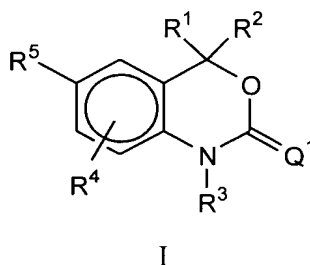
R^{1'} and R^{2'} are joined to form a spirocyclic ring containing 3 to 7 carbon atoms; and R^{3'} is selected from the group C₁ to C₄ alkyl, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, tautomer, metabolite, or prodrug thereof.

21. The method according to claim 20, wherein said carcinomas are selected from the group consisting of ovary, breast, uterine, endometrial, colon, and prostate carcinomas.

22. The method of treating carcinomas according to claim 19, wherein in formula I, R^3 is H and Q^1 is S; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, tautomer, metabolite, or prodrug thereof.

23. A method of treating dysfunctional bleeding, uterine leiomyomata, endometriosis, or polycystic ovary syndrome, comprising the step of delivering to a female in need thereof a composition comprising a compound of formula I or formula II, or a tautomer thereof, in a regimen which involves delivering a pharmaceutically effective amount of one or more of a selective estrogen receptor modulator to said female,

wherein formula I is:



wherein:

R^1 and R^2 are independent substituents selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, C_2 to C_6 alkenyl, substituted C_2 to C_6 alkenyl, C_2 to C_6 alkynyl, substituted C_2 to C_6 alkynyl, C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, substituted C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, COR^A , and $NR^B COR^A$;

or R^1 and R^2 are fused to form a ring selected from the group consisting of a), b) and c), wherein said ring is optionally substituted by from 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of H and C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

- a) a carbon-based 3 to 8 membered saturated spirocyclic ring;
- b) a carbon-based 3 to 8 membered spirocyclic ring having one or more carbon-carbon double bonds; and
- c) a 3 to 8 membered spirocyclic ring having in its backbone one to three heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of O, S and N;

R^A is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, amino, C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl;

R^B is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

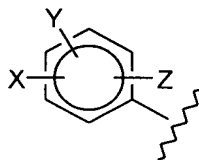
R^3 is selected from the group consisting of H, OH, NH_2 , C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, C_3 to C_6 alkenyl, substituted C_3 to C_6 alkenyl, alkynyl, substituted alkynyl, and COR^C ;

R^C is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_4 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_4 alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C_1 to C_4 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_4 alkoxy, C_1 to C_4 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_4 aminoalkyl;

R^4 is selected from the group consisting of H, halogen, CN, NO_2 , C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, C_1 to C_6 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkoxy, C_1 to C_6 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_6 aminoalkyl;

R^5 is selected from the group consisting of (i) and (ii):

- (i) a substituted benzene ring having the structure:



X is selected from the group consisting of halogen, CN, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl, C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, NO_2 , C_1 to C_3 perfluoroalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 perfluoroalkyl, 5 or 6 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms,

substituted 5 or 6 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, COR^D , OCOR^D , and NR^ECOR^D ;

R^D is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl;

R^E is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

Y and Z are independent substituents selected from the group consisting of H, halogen, CN, NO_2 , C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_4 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_4 alkyl, C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl; and

b) a five or six membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1, 2, or 3 heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of O, S, SO, SO_2 , and NR^6 and having one or two independent substituents selected from the group consisting of H, halogen, CN, NO_2 , C_1 to C_4 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_4 alkyl, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, C_1 to C_3 perfluoroalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 perfluoroalkyl, 5 or 6 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted 5 or 6 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl, COR^F , and NR^GCOR^F ;

R^F is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl;

R^G is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

R^6 is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, and C_1 to C_4 CO_2 alkyl;

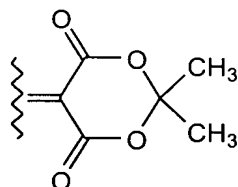
Q^1 is selected from the group consisting of S, NR^7 , and CR^8R^9 ;

R^7 is selected from the group consisting of CN, C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, substituted C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, SO_2CF_3 , OR^{11} , and $NR^{11}R^{12}$;

R^8 and R^9 are independent substituents selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, substituted C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, NO_2 , CN, and CO_2R^{10} ;

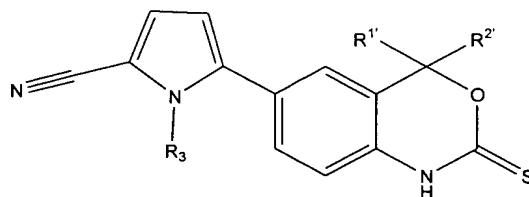
R^{10} is selected from the group consisting of C_1 to C_3 alkyl and substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

or CR^8R^9 comprise a six membered ring having the structure:



R^{11} and R^{12} are independently selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, acyl, substituted acyl, sulfonyl, and substituted sulfonyl;

and formula II is:



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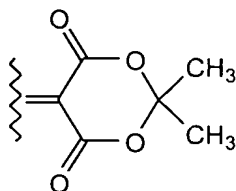
wherein:

R^7 is selected from the group consisting of CN, C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, substituted C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, SO_2CF_3 , OR^{11} , and $NR^{11}R^{12}$;

R^8 and R^9 are independent substituents selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, substituted C_3 to C_8 cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, NO_2 , CN, and CO_2R^{10} ;

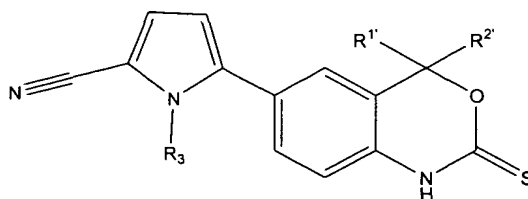
R^{10} is selected from the group consisting of C_1 to C_3 alkyl and substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

or CR^8R^9 comprise a six membered ring having the structure:



R^{11} and R^{12} are independently selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, acyl, substituted acyl, sulfonyl, and substituted sulfonyl;

and formula II is:



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wherein:

R^{1'} is selected from the group methyl, ethyl, trifluoromethyl;

R^{2'} is selected from the group methyl, ethyl, trifluoromethyl;

or

R^{1'} and R^{2'} are joined to form a spirocyclic ring containing 3 to 7 carbon atoms; and R^{3'} is selected from the group C₁ to C₄ alkyl;

and

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, tautomer, metabolite, or prodrug thereof.

24. The method according to claim 23, wherein in formula I, R³ is H and Q¹ is S; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, tautomer, metabolite, or prodrug thereof.

25. The method according to claim 1 wherein said compound of formula I is selected from the group consisting of 6-(3-Chlorophenyl)-4,4-dimethyl-1,4-dihydro-benzo[d][1,3]oxazin-2-thione, 4-(4,4-Dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,3]oxazin-6-yl)-thiophene-2-carbonitrile, 3-(4,4-Dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,3]oxazin-6-yl)-5-fluorobenzonitrile, 3-(4,4-Dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,3]oxazin-6-yl)-benzonitrile, 6-(3-fluorophenyl)-4-methyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 5-(4,4-Dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)-4-methylthiophene-2-carbonitrile, tert-Butyl 2-cyano-5-(4,4-dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)-1H-pyrrole-1-carboxylate, 5-(4,4-Dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)-1H-pyrrole-2-carbonitrile, [6-(4,4-dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)-pyridin-2-yl]acetonitrile, 5-(4,4-Dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)-1-methyl-1H-pyrrole-2-carbonitrile, 5-(4,4-dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)-1H-pyrrole-2-carbothiamide, 5-(4,4-Dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-benzo[d][1,3]oxazin-6-yl) thiophene-3-carbonitrile, 5-(4,4-dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)-1-ethyl-1H-pyrrole-2-carbonitrile, 4-(1,2-Dihydro-2-thioxospiro[4H-3,1-benzoxazin-4,1-cyclohexan]-6-yl)-2-thiophenecarbonitrile, 5-(4,4-Dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-

yl)-2-fluorobenzonitrile, 6-(5-Bromopyridin-3-yl)-4,4-dimethyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 6-(3-Chloro-5-fluorophenyl)-4,4-dimethyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 6-(3-Bromo-5-methylphenyl)-4,4-dimethyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 6-(3-Bromo-5-trifluoromethoxyphenyl)-4,4-dimethyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 3-(1,2-Dihydro-2-thioxospiro[4H-3,1-benzoxazine-4,1-cyclohexan]-6-yl)-5-fluorobenzonitrile, 3-(4,4-Dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)-5-methylbenzonitrile, 6-(3,5-Dichlorophenyl)-4,4-dimethyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 5-(4,4-Dimethyl-1,2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)isophthalonitrile, 5-(4,4-Dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)-2-furonitrile, 4,4-Diethyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 6-(3-Chlorophenyl)-4-methyl-4-phenyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 4-Allyl-6-(3-chlorophenyl)-4-methyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 3-Chloro-5-(4,4-dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)benzonitrile, 6-(3,5-Difluorophenyl)-4,4-dimethyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 6-(3-Fluoro-5-methoxyphenyl)-4,4-dimethyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 3-(4,4-Dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)-5-methoxybenzonitrile, 6-(3-Fluorophenyl)-4,4-dimethyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 6-[3-Fluoro-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,4-dimethyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 6-(2-Fluorophenyl)-4,4-dimethyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 6-(3,4-Difluorophenyl)-4,4-dimethyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 6-(4-Fluorophenyl)-4,4-dimethyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 3-(4,4-Dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)-4-fluorobenzonitrile, 6-(2,3-Difluorophenyl)-4,4-dimethyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 3-(8-Bromo-4,4-dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)-5-fluorobenzonitrile, 4,4-Dimethyl-6-(3-nitrophenyl)-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 6-(3-Chlorophenyl)-4,4-diethyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 6-(3-Methoxyphenyl)-4,4-dimethyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 6-(2-Chlorophenyl)-4,4-dimethyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 4-Benzyl-6-(3-chlorophenyl)-4-methyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 6-(3-Bromo-5-

fluorophenyl)-4,4-dimethyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 5-(4,4-Dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl) thiophene-2-carbonitrile, 3-Fluoro-5-(8-fluoro-4,4-dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)benzonitrile, 3-(1,2-Dihydro-2-thioxospiro[4H-3,1-benzoxazine-4,1-cyclohexan]-6-yl)benzonitrile, 5-(1,2-Dihydro-2-thioxospiro[4H-3,1-benzoxazine-4,1-cyclohexan]-6-yl)-4-methyl-2-thiophenecarbonitrile, 5-(1,2-Dihydro-2-thioxospiro[4H-3,1-benzoxazine-4,1-cyclohexan]-6-yl)-2-thiophenecarbonitrile, 6-(3-Chloro-4-fluorophenyl)-4,4-dimethyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, 5-(4,4-Dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)-4-propylthiophene-2-carbonitrile, 4-(4,4-Dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)-2-furonitrile, 4-Butyl-5-(4,4-dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)thiophene-2-carbonitrile, 6-(3-Bromophenyl)-4,4-dimethyl-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-2-thione, and 2-(4,4-Dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)thiophene-3-carbonitrile, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, tautomer, metabolite, or prodrug thereof.

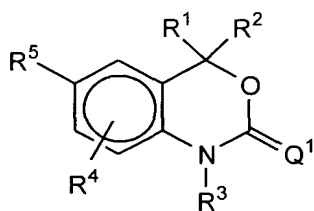
26. The method according to claim 1, wherein said compound of formula I is 5-(4,4-Dimethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)-1-methyl-1H-pyrrole-2-carbonitrile or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, tautomer, metabolite, or prodrug thereof.

27. The method according to claim 1, wherein said compound of formula II is selected from the group consisting of: 5-(4-ethyl-4-methyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)-1-methyl-1H-pyrrole-2-carbonitrile, 5-(4,4-diethyl-2-thioxo-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazin-6-yl)-1-methyl-1H-pyrrole-2-carbonitrile, 1-methyl-5-(2-thioxo-1,2-dihydrospiro[3,1-benzoxazine-4,1'-cyclobutan]-6-yl)-1H-pyrrole-2-carbonitrile, 1-methyl-5-(2-thioxo-1,2-dihydrospiro[3,1-benzoxazine-4,1'-cyclohexan]-6-yl)-1H-pyrrole-2-carbonitrile, 1-methyl-5-(2-thioxo-1,2-dihydrospiro[3,1-benzoxazine-4,1'-cyclopentan]-6-yl)-1H-pyrrole-2-carbonitrile, 1-methyl-5-[2-thioxo-4,4-bis(trifluoromethyl)-1,4-dihydro-2H-3,1-benzoxazine-6-yl]-

1H-pyrrole-2-carbonitrile, and prodrugs, metabolites, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

28. A pharmaceutical kit useful for inducing contraception or hormone replacement therapy, said kit comprising a compound of formula I or formula II and at least one selective estrogen receptor modulator,

wherein formula I is:



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wherein:

R¹ and R² are independent substituents selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₆ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₆ alkyl, C₂ to C₆ alkenyl, substituted C₂ to C₆ alkenyl, C₂ to C₆ alkynyl, substituted C₂ to C₆ alkynyl, C₃ to C₈ cycloalkyl, substituted C₃ to C₈ cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, COR^A, and NR^BCOR^A;

or R¹ and R² are fused to form a ring selected from the group consisting of a), b) and c), wherein said ring is optionally substituted by from 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of H and C₁ to C₃ alkyl;

- a) a carbon-based 3 to 8 membered saturated spirocyclic ring;
- b) a carbon-based 3 to 8 membered spirocyclic ring having one or more carbon-carbon double bonds; and
- c) a 3 to 8 membered spirocyclic ring having in its backbone one to three heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of O, S and N;

R^A is selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₃ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₃ alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C₁ to C₃ alkoxy, substituted C₁ to C₃ alkoxy, amino, C₁ to C₃ aminoalkyl, and substituted C₁ to C₃ aminoalkyl;

R^B is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

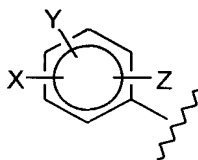
R^3 is selected from the group consisting of H, OH, NH_2 , C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, C_3 to C_6 alkenyl, substituted C_3 to C_6 alkenyl, alkynyl, substituted alkynyl, and COR^C ;

R^C is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_4 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_4 alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C_1 to C_4 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_4 alkoxy, C_1 to C_4 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_4 aminoalkyl;

R^4 is selected from the group consisting of H, halogen, CN, NO_2 , C_1 to C_6 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkyl, C_1 to C_6 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_6 alkoxy, C_1 to C_6 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_6 aminoalkyl;

R^5 is selected from the group consisting of (i) and (ii):

(i) a substituted benzene ring having the structure:



X is selected from the group consisting of halogen, CN, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 thioalkyl, C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, NO_2 , C_1 to C_3 perfluoroalkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 perfluoroalkyl, 5 or 6 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted 5 or 6 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, COR^D , $OCOR^D$, and $NR^E COR^D$;

R^D is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, substituted C_1 to C_3 alkoxy, C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 aminoalkyl;

R^E is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_3 alkyl, and substituted C_1 to C_3 alkyl;

Y and Z are independent substituents selected from the group

consisting of H, halogen, CN, NO₂, C₁ to C₃ alkoxy, substituted C₁ to C₃ alkoxy, C₁ to C₄ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₄ alkyl, C₁ to C₃ thioalkyl, and substituted C₁ to C₃ thioalkyl; and

b) a five or six membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1, 2, or 3 heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of O, S, SO, SO₂, and NR⁶ and having one or two independent substituents selected from the group consisting of H, halogen, CN, NO₂, C₁ to C₄ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₄ alkyl, C₁ to C₃ alkoxy, substituted C₁ to C₃ alkoxy, C₁ to C₃ aminoalkyl, substituted C₁ to C₃ aminoalkyl, C₁ to C₃ perfluoroalkyl, substituted C₁ to C₃ perfluoroalkyl, 5 or 6 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted 5 or 6 membered carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, C₁ to C₃ thioalkyl, substituted C₁ to C₃ thioalkyl, COR^F, and NR^GCOR^F;

R^F is selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₃ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₃ alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, C₁ to C₃ alkoxy, substituted C₁ to C₃ alkoxy, C₁ to C₃ aminoalkyl, and substituted C₁ to C₃ aminoalkyl;

R^G is selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₃ alkyl, and substituted C₁ to C₃ alkyl;

R⁶ is selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₃ alkyl, and C₁ to C₄ CO₂alkyl;

Q¹ is selected from the group consisting of S, NR⁷, and CR⁸R⁹;

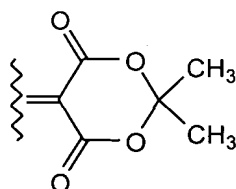
R⁷ is selected from the group consisting of CN, C₁ to C₆ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₆ alkyl, C₃ to C₈ cycloalkyl, substituted C₃ to C₈ cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, SO₂CF₃, OR¹¹, and NR¹¹R¹²;

R⁸ and R⁹ are independent substituents selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₆ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₆ alkyl, C₃ to C₈ cycloalkyl, substituted C₃ to C₈ cycloalkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its

backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, NO₂, CN, and CO₂R¹⁰;

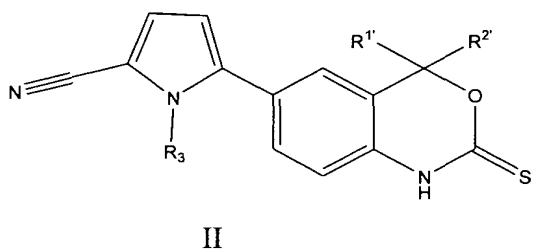
R¹⁰ is selected from the group consisting of C₁ to C₃ alkyl and substituted C₁ to C₃ alkyl;

or CR⁸R⁹ comprise a six membered ring having the structure:



R¹¹ and R¹² are independently selected from the group consisting of H, C₁ to C₆ alkyl, substituted C₁ to C₆ alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, substituted carbon-based heterocyclic ring having in its backbone 1 to 3 heteroatoms, acyl, substituted acyl, sulfonyl, and substituted sulfonyl;

and formula II is:



wherein:

R^{1'} is selected from the group methyl, ethyl, trifluoromethyl;

R^{2'} is selected from the group methyl, ethyl, trifluoromethyl;

or

R^{1'} and R^{2'} are joined to form a spirocyclic ring containing 3 to 7 carbon atoms; and R^{3'} is selected from the group C₁ to C₄ alkyl;

and

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, tautomer, metabolite, or prodrug thereof.